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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 September 9, 2003

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision mailed May 9, 2003 of the Primary Examiner rejecting Claims 1-7.

Applicant hereby submits the required filing fee of \$320.00 under 37 CFR 1.17(e).

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #225/49847).

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